

BIG SANDY NEWS

LOUISIA, KY.

If you would, contribute to
For judge or clerk or justice,
Come and give us a word of advice,
And you'll be sure to nail her.

T. C. Songer of Georgis is here.

We had a slight fall of snow
Monday night.

J. W. Korus of Mavity was in
town Wednesday.

Old Mrs. Houchin, of Cassville,
died Saturday morning.

B. J. Prichard has gone to the
mountains of W. Va. for a hunt.

W. H. Hutchinson and wife have
returned from a visit to Catletts-
burg.

The District Conference of the
M. E. Church is in session this
week at Peck's Chapel.

The protracted meeting at the
M. E. Church was suspended Mon-
day night until Thursday.

Wanted, to buy one ton of Hay
and 100 bundles blade fodder.
E. W. Werts.

We had a hard rain Sunday af-
ternoon and night, and the river
has swelled slightly in consequence
thereof.

We are glad to notice that our
citizens are showing their usual
courtesy and hospitality to the vis-
iting ministers.

From the number of fresh fish
appearing in our market recently
we infer that the dynamite head is
abroad on the water. The next
grand jury will not forget it.

At the close of the services at the
M. E. Church South last Sunday
evening Mr. Lauch read President
Cleveland's Thanksgiving Procla-
mation, and announced that in re-
sponse to it there would be ser-
vices in that church Thursday
morning at 10.30.

We take pleasure in recommending Hall's
Hair Restorer to our readers. It restores
gray hair to its youthful color, prevents
hair loss, makes the hair soft and glossy,
does not stain the skin, and is altogether
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scalp diseases.

The businessmen of Louisa have
been requested to close their
houses Thursday, at least from
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time since we have known the
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The Baptist meeting began at
the M. E. Church South last Tues-
day evening was suspended Fri-
day night in order that the Metho-
dist brethren might hold their reg-
ular quarterly meeting service
Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Jolly
went home, and Mr. Nuttall
preached in the Baptist Church in
Cassville Sunday morning, work-
ing with the Methodist con-
gregation here Sunday night. Mr.
Jolly returned to Louisa Monday
and the Baptist meeting was re-
sumed at night and will be con-
tinued through the week.

Written for the Big Sandy News.

Beautiful Days.

Splendors of gold and crimson
Pass from the clouded hill
Saddles fall on the valleys,
Lying so dark and still.
Sadly the autumn's beauty
Fades in a cold grey haze
Where have they drifted from us,
Beautiful days?

Joy that came in the morning,
Rose with dawning light,
Dreams that we fondly cherished,
Hopes that were fair and bright,
All like the leaves have vanished,
Yet, 'twere life's wintry ways,
Softly their memory lingers,
Beautiful days.

Bright in unchanging beauty
They have passed on before,
Reckoning us from the shadows,
On to the heaven-bright shore;
Out on the world's cold darkness,
Sending their warm, soft rays,
Waiting us, - calling us upward,
Beautiful days.

Jessie Emerson.

Nitro-Glycerine.

In these times of oil and oil wells
there is so much talk about nitro-
glycerine and its various com-
pounds that we have taken some
trouble to collate a few facts con-
cerning its manufacture and uses.
Some have thought that it, in com-
mon with many other notable in-
ventions and discoveries, was the
offspring of the fertile brain of
some inquisitive American. Such,
however, is not the case. A Euro-
pean chemist has the honor of first
introducing to the scientific world
this useful and dangerous com-
pound. It is composed of nitric
and sulphuric acids and ordinary
commercial glycerine. This last
substance is entirely innocuous,
and is as well known, one of the
most useful articles known to the
arts and sciences. It is only when
mixed with these powerful acids
that it is such a dangerous material.
The process of the manufacture of
nitro-glycerine is comparatively
simple. One part of fuming nitric
acid is slowly and carefully mixed
with strongest sulphuric acid—
what many people call oil of vitrol.
Slowness and care are used in the
mixing, because the mere putting
of these acids together generates
intense heat and sometimes explo-
sion. These combined acids are
then mixed with glycerine, care be-
ing taken to conduct the process
under intense cold. The result is
a syrupy, yellowish substance which
congeals at about forty degrees
Fahrenheit. While in this state it
is a most dangerous compound, ex-
ploding often by the slightest con-
cussion and with most terrible con-
sequences. One measure of gun-
powder explodes, making eight
hundred measures of gas. When
one measure of nitro-glycerine ex-
plodes it creates nearly eleven
thousand measures of gas. Thus
we see that the explosive force of
nitro-glycerine as compared with
that of gunpowder is about as three
hundred to one. It will explode only
under certain conditions, and those
who make and use it are, of course,
exceedingly careful that none of
these conditions are present until
the proper time. It is worth at the
factory about sixty cents per pound,
not an unreasonable price, every-
thing being considered, but every
mile of its transportation adds to
its cost to the consumer. All pub-
lic conveyances are forbidden to
carry it, and its transportation
must be done by private enterprise.
This fact and its highly dangerous
character, have led to the discovery
of various other explosives, all be-
longing to the nitro-glycerine fam-

ily, so to speak, much less danger-
ous but equally effective as explo-
sive agents. Giant powder, Her-
cules powder, dynamite and black-
a-rock, -we are not sure of the
the spelling of this word— all con-
tain a greater or less percentage of
nitro-glycerine, but are far less dan-
gerous to handle and equally, some-
say, more, effective. Steamboat
and railway trains are permitted to
carry these compounds, and work-
men handle them freely.

Nitro-glycerine is not kept in
stock very long, or in very large
quantities, for it is apt to undergo
decomposition when thus kept, and
explode spontaneously. Hence in
the region where there is so much
drilling for oil or gas it is made ex-
temporaneously.

The fumes arising from its explo-
sion are poisonous, and even get-
ting a small quantity on the face
will often create intense headache.
A medicine has been prepared from
nitro-glycerine. It is called gly-
cerine, and, singularly enough, is
said to be almost a specific for head-
ache. If a manufactory of nitro-
glycerine is established in this sec-
tion it will not be near enough any
habitation to endanger life or prop-
erty.

The December number of the South-
ern Bivouac will have a description by
General C. C. Gilbert, U. S. A., of the
Battle of Perryville, accompanied by a
colored map showing accurately the po-
sition of the various divisions of the ar-
mies. The same number of the mag-
azine will contain a paper by Col. W. H.
Swallow, C. S. A., on the Battle of Get-
tysburg, which is also accompanied by
an accurate map.

High N. Searne of Georgia, will have
in the December number of the South-
ern Bivouac an interesting article on the
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